

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 631

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to recognize Vendetta Russell on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their careers in public service; and

WHEREAS, Vendetta Russell is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for twenty-four years as a Hawkins County Deputy Registrar; and

WHEREAS, after first working for the City of Mount Carmel, she was excited to begin working for the Hawkins County Election Office; and

WHEREAS, she loves working with the public and has never tired of happily greeting and assisting each patron she encountered; and

WHEREAS, Vendetta Russell worked tirelessly, handling everything from voter registrations to certifying the elections, and assisting the citizens of Hawkins County cast their votes, whether by electronic or paper ballot; and

WHEREAS, she is a staunch supporter of the democratic system and encourages her children and grandchildren to vote and spread the word about the importance of voting, not just in the presidential elections, but also the just-as-important local elections; and

WHEREAS, Vendetta Russell worked hard every year to ensure the early election process ran smoothly and every vote was accounted for, matching the daily poll list with the votes cast for the day; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russell looks forward to spending time with her grandchildren and continuing to work part-time with the election office to train the election commission staff; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Russell exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, she demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and a grateful public, and it is appropriate that this body should recognize her outstanding service to the good citizens of Hawkins County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Vendetta Russell our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.